Now we have not got any standard rates, but the Government have standardised the rates ranging from Rs. 40 to 100 per mile and we hope that under the arrangement now under contemplation our roads will be in a better condition.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—On a point of information, Sir. From 1108 onwards provision will be made for the maintenance of all the roads, the rates ranging from Rs. 40 to 100. Is it so?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Yes, all our important roads. These are the proceedings of the Government. Here is a list covering 545 miles of road but not including the roads opened in 1106. For this latter, I am preparing a supplementary list for submission to the Government.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—May I know roughly the cost of maintenance of these 545 miles of road?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—Rupees 31,777. Now we have got only Rs. 18,000.

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The resolution was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolutions withdrawn (Nos. 28 and 29.)

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—"This Council recommends to the Government to allow the clerks in the Government service to attend to their duties in their national dress."

Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar.—"This Council recommends to the Government to establish a bureau of economics and statistics in the State."

Adjournment of the Council.

Deputy President.—Hon'ble Members, please allow me to express my thanks for the co-operation you have rendered and allowed me to finish the agenda for the whole meeting. We have finished all the resolutions on the Agenda, though we had no work on the first day. And I hope you will all take this as a standard and render every assistance to the Chair for future meetings also.

I wish to bring to your notice that in our Council yesterday, a Nambudiri lady Sreemathi Parvathi Nammanimangalam was a visitor in the Lady's Gallery. This is the first instance in the whole of Kerala where a Nambudiri Lady came and witnessed the proceedings of a Legislative Council. Of course this is an event of special significance indicating the rapid strides of social progress of the times in our coast. I am glad that she visited the Council while I was presiding over it. We shall meet again very soon. I adjourn the Council to the 1st of Meenam 1107.

The House rose for the day at 4-20 p. m.

C. J. MATHEW,
Secretary to the Council.

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